## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**PERMIT APPLICATION:** NRS08.170

**APPLICANT:** Laurel Cove Development, LLC

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## LOCATION:

McCrory Creek and unnamed tributaries to McCrory Creek located in southeastern Williamson County in the city of College Grove. The site lies southeast of Arno Road and Eudailey Covington Road. Approximate Lat 35.810584 Long: -86.734008

## WATERSHED DESCRIPTION:

Watershed: Harpeth River Watershed

Hydrologic Unit Code: 0513020401

Stream name: McCrory Creek and unnamed tributaries to McCrory Creek.

stream segment ID: TN05130204016 0800

Designated uses: McCrory Creek uses include fish and aquatic life, irrigation, livestock

watering and wildlife, and recreation. All assessed uses are fully

supported. Recreation use has not been assessed. Surrounding land use is primarily open agricultural pastures with occasional residential tracts and

areas containing contiguous forests.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT:** The applicant proposes to construct portions of a golf course and residential community that would require impacts or modifications to several jurisdictional aquatic resources. Impacts include: the introduction of fill materials (0.867 acres) and removal of canopy vegetation (1.602 acres) in a jurisdictional forested wetland measuring 4.787 acres, the reshaping of a 1.02 acre pond, installation of seven golf cart stream crossings measuring roughly eight feet in width that would span the stream channel, and the installation of two permanent road crossings. The reshaping of the pond feature would not result in impacts to jurisdictional wetlands and there would be a no net loss of surface area based on the proposed design. The permanent road crossings would be Conspan® structures that would span the stream channels and be anchored to footers installed on the opposing banks, leaving the natural substrate undisturbed. The first one, measuring 163 linear feet, would be located along the main channel of McCrory Creek and the second one, measuring 89 linear feet, would be located along an unnamed tributary to McCrory Creek.

Compensatory wetland mitigation is proposed to be developed onsite with the restoration of 3.7 acres of an historic agriculture pasture adjacent to the 4.787-acre wetland that is mapped as possessing hydric soils. This site appears to have been manipulated in the past by agricultural activities to encourage drainage and currently possesses some marginal hydric indicators. The applicant is proposing to create a wetland possessing emergent wetlands and wet meadow habitat by removing the existing elevated crown in the field, removing an adjacent channelized drainage feature, and strategically lowering the elevation of the area and creating a perimeter berm to provide for the proposed wetland habitats. The applicant reports that excavated test pits within this area show the presence of hydric soils at depths beginning at 10-12 inches and the presence of shallow surface water during late May 2008. Hydrology is proposed to be supplied by a combination of groundwater and natural runoff. This restoration area would be planted with 3-4 inch plugs of native herbaceous wetland species on roughly 24-inch centers. A small number of native

shrubs and trees would also be incorporated primarily along the margins adjacent to the existing wetland area and within natural clusters. Annual monitoring reports would be submitted to the division.

As part of this restoration, the applicant is proposing to enhance and integrate an adjacent 0.246-acre isolated wetland that is currently dominated by non-native fescue. This would be done by grading around its perimeter, lowering some elevated ridges to enhance its hydrology and planting 3-4 inch plugs of native herbaceous wetland species.

This notice may be viewed on the internet at: http://www.state.tn.us/environment/wpc/ppo/arap.

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 1200-4-3-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activity will result in *de-minimis* degradation to water quality.

## PERMIT COORDINATOR: Robert Baker

No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within thirty days of the date that this notice is posted. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

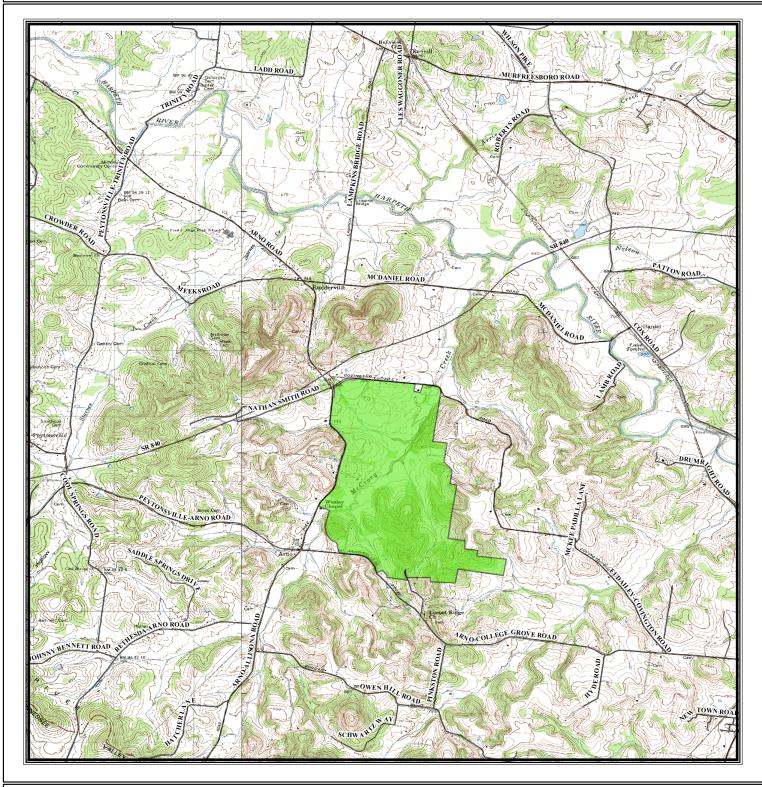
Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying. The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section 7th Floor L & C Annex 401 Church Street Nashville, TN 37243

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.

Figure 1. General location of Laurel Cove Development in Williamson Coutny, Tennessee as shown on the College Grove 7.5-minute USGS Topographic Quadrangle.







# Legend

Property Boundaries

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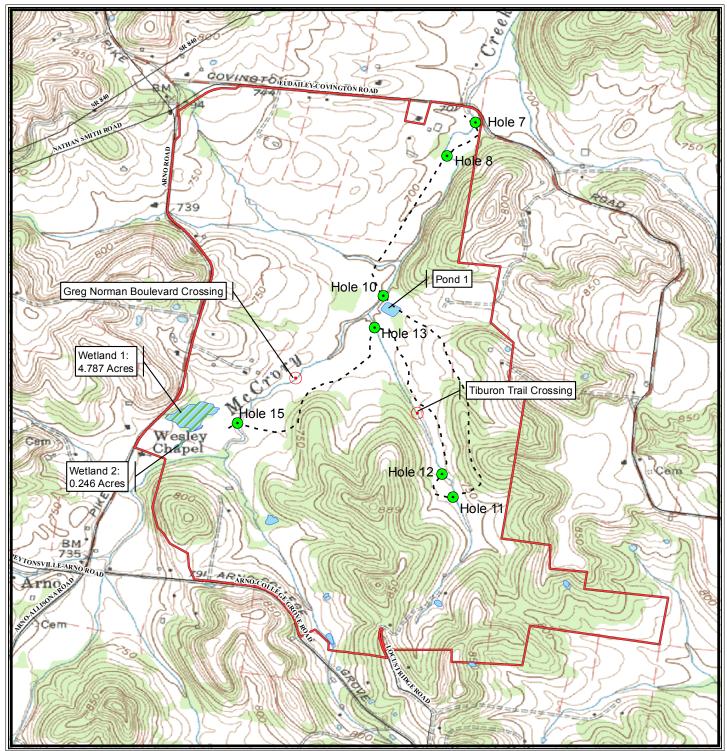
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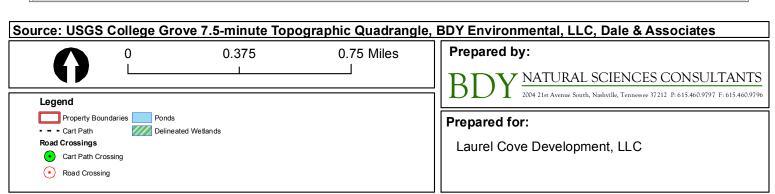
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Figure 6. View of proposed impacts and mitigation adjacent to golf course Hole 17 within Laurel Cove Development as shown on a 2006 Williamson County, Tennessee Aerial. (17) Wetland Preservation Fill: Fairway Wetland Restoration Fill: Tee Box Tree Removal Wet Weather Conveyance: Stormwater discharge to be route into restored wetland area Netland Restoration (16) Wetlands Enhancemen Prepared by: Source: **⊐**Feet 2006 Williamson County, Tennessee Aerial 200 400 NATURAL SCIENCES CONSULTANTS Dale & Associates Wetland Impacts / Mitigation BDY Environmental, LLC Elevated Cartpath Legend Prepared for: Property Boundary Delineated Wetlands Laurel Cove Development, LLC Tree Removal

Wetland Enhancement
Wetland Restoration

Figure 2. Location of features addressed in ARAP application within Laurel Cove Development in Williamson Coutny, Tennessee as shown on the College Grove 7.5-minute USGS Topographic Quadrangle.





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